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Morning and Evening PRAYER:

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On Wednesday the 25th of Feb. 1795,

In all Churches and Chapels throughout England, Wales, and the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed:

Being the Day appointed for

A GENERAL FAST.

Morning Prayer.

The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy-days, except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.

I Let him that ministereth read with a loud Voice these Sentences of Scripture, and after them the Exhartation, Dearly beloved Brethren, Sc.

O the Lord our God belong Mercies and Forgiveneffes, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he fer before us.

In my trouble I will call upon the Lord, and complain unto my God. So shall he hear my voice out of his holy temple; my complaint shall come before him.

Inflead of the Venite, this Homn shall be used.

JNTO Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my Soul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: O let me not be contounded, neither let mine Enemies triumph over me.

Wherefore should the Heathen say, where is now their God? The Lord is King, be the Earth never so unquiet; the Lord is great in Sion, and high above all People.

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Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes, O Thou that dwellest in the Heavens.

The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage borribly; but the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

In the multitude of forrows that I had in my heart, thy

comforts have refreshed my Soul.

The Lord is my Refuge, and my God is the strength of my confidence:

Thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy, long suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth.

O knit my beart unto Thee, that I may fear Thy name.

Behold, O God our Defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

Blessed is the man, whose strength is in thee, in whose heart are thy ways.

Lo! thine Enemies make a murmuring, and they that

hate Thee have lift up their heads.

Make their faces ashamed, O Lord, that they may seek thy name.

The Lord shall give strength unto his People, the Lord

shall give his people the blessing of Peace.

Help us, O God of our Salvation, for the glory of thy name; O deliver us and be merciful unto our fins for thy name's sake.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy

Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ Proper Psalms, LI. and XC.

First Lesson, 2 Chronicles XX. to the End of Verse 15.

After the first Lesson, shall follow Te Deum laudamus, in English.

Second Lesson, St. Matthew III. to v. 11.

Then Benedictus, the Creed, &c. to the End of the Lord's Prayer.

Then the Priest, standing up, shall say, Priest. O Lord, shew thy Mercy upon us! Answ. And grant us thy Salvation, Prieft. O Lord, fave the King!

Answ. And mercifully hear us, when we call upon Thee.

Priest. Endue Thy ministers with righteousnels.

Answ. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest. Give Peace in our time, O Lord.

Answ. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.

Priest. O Lord, save thy servants!

Answ. Who put their trust in Thee.

Priest. Send us help from thy holy place.
Answ. And evermore mightily defend us.

Prieft. Let the Eenemy have no advantage against us;

Answ. Nor the wicked approach to hurt us.

Priest. Lord, hear our prayer!

Answ. And let our cry come unto Thee.

This Collect to be used instead of the First Collect for Morning Prayer.

O LORD God of our Salvation, who orderest all things by Thy unsearchable Wisdom, bringing to nought by Thy power the Counsels of the Wicked, and working deliverance for Thy Servants; we most humbly approach Thee with earnest Prayer and Supplication in behalf of ourselves and other Christian Nations, exposed at this Time to the Violence, or groaning under the oppression of Apostates from Thy Truth and Despisers of Thy Holy Name, who threaten desolation to every Country, where they can erect their Standard.

We implore Thy bleffing, O. Lord, upon Thy faithful Servant our gracious Sovereign. Guard him against secret Conspiracy and open Violence, and prosper his anxious Cares for the welfare of his People. Let nothing obstruct his wise and salutary Counsels for the preservation of these Kingdoms, but grant him all the Comforts of trust and considence in Thee, that he may rejoice in Thy Strength

and in Thy Salvation.

Thou hast been our merciful God from generation to generation. Our Fathers trusted in thee and were holpen: and we are devoutly sensible that all our efforts will be ineffectual without Thy Aid, from whom alone cometh our help in time of need. Our counsels, our hands, and our

hearts, are under thy Almighty direction. Without Thee the wisdom of the Wise is vain, and the multitude of an Host is weak. Vouchsafe, O Lord, in such a manner to direct our measures and prosper our exertions, as may convince the enemies of our Peace, that thine Arm, stretched out to save, can defeat the most daring designs of human Policy; and that those, who lift up their banners against Thee, shall be humbled under Thy Almighty Hand.

Hear us. O merciful God, for the fake and through the merits of Jefus Christ, our Mediator, Redeemer, and

Advocate. Amen.

¶ Then shall follow the Second and Third Collects at Morning Prayer; And the Litany.

Then the People shall say this that followeth, after the Minister.

URN Thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, Be favourable to thy People, Who turn to thee in weeping, fasting, and praying. For Thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment, and in thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy People, good Lord, spare them, and let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great, and after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us, through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Denitent hearts, Thine infinite Goodness, in encouraging us to apply to Thee for succour, and to Thy holy Word for comfort. We have been signally blessed in the unmolested enjoyment of true Religion, and the Possession of abundant temporal Prosperity. But we have ungratefully forsaken thee, the Fountain of all true Happiness, and sought for it in our own vain and sinful imaginations. Thou hast taught us by thy Judgments to feel and to lament this prevailing Sinfulness. Restore us, O Lord, to a dutiful sense of Thee, in this time of our Visitation. Cleanse, we beseech Thee, our Souls by the influence of Thy Holy Spirit. Do away our Offences, O most merciful God, and blot

blot out the Remembrance of our Iniquities. O let the light of Thy countenance shine upon us this day. Stir up and invigorate our drowsy Wills and Affections; strengthen and confirm our Resolutions of Amendment. Grant us Grace to put away all Ungodliness and sintul Lusts, and so to hold fast the Profession of our Faith in purity of heart and mind, that Thy Judgments may be withdrawn from us, and we may become distinguished Objects of Thy Mercy, through the Merits of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

In the Time of War and Tumults.

Almighty God, King of all kings, and Governor of all Things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish Sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly befeech Thee, from the hands of our Enemies; abate their pride, assuage their malice, and confound their devices; that we being armed with Thy desence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify Thee, who are the only giver of all victory, through the merits of Thy only Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE humbly befeech Thee, most merciful God, after the great blessings we have this day implored at thy hands, to grant us thy Grace, to preserve a constant sense of thy presence, and of our dependence upon Thee. Suffer us not to return to our former sinfulness and disobedience, nor again to yield to those evil passions and desires which have brought down thy Judgments upon us: But save us, OGod; save us from ourselves, as well as from our Enemies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I Then read to the End of Morning Prayer, as usual.

The Communion Service.

After the Prayer for the King [Almighty God, whose Kingdom is everlasting] shall be read the Collect of the Day, as in the Morning Prayer, [O Lord God of our Salvation], and then shall follow

BUT there were falle Prophets also among the People,
even as there shall be falle Teachers among you; who
privily

privily shall bring in damnable Heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with seigned words make merchandize of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation flumbereth not. For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to helf, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be referved unto judgment; and spared not the old world, but faved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; and delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: (for that righteous man dwelling among them, in feeing and hearing vexed his righteous toul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;) the Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to referve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: but chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, felf-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.

The Gofpel. St. Luke XIII. Ver. 1 to 6.

HERE were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their facrifices. And Jesus answering, said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered these things? I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam sell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Then shall follow the Nicene Creed: and after that the Sermon.

After the Prayer [for the whole State of Christ's Church]

the following shall be used.

A Prayer

A Prayer for our Enemies, and for Support under Persecution.

LMIGHTY God, whe half disposed the heart of our Sovereign to unite us in prayer and supplication, this day, for the Pardon of our Sins, and for deliverance from the evils of War; fuffer us, we befeech Thee, in the spirit of Christian charity, to add our humble intercession for the repentance and converfion of men, who, having cast off their Faith in Thee the Living God, and following the vain imaginations of reprobate minds, have plunged themselves into crimes and impieties, which astonish the Christian World, Open their eyes, O Lord, that they may fee and confider, with deteffation and horror, the ravages of their cruelty amongst their fellow-creatures. Strike them, in thy Mercy, with remorfe and compunction, before they fill up the measure of their iniquities. And grant, O God, unto us, thy fervants, Grace, whilst we behold with compassion the miseries they have inflicted upon the objects of their fury, to recollect the many calamities from which we are exempted by thy merciful Providence. What are we, O Lord, that thou shouldst so regard us! O let thy mercy enter into our hearts, and make us truly thankful for thy goodness, fearful of thy displeasure, and sensible of thy prefence; that, with hands and hearts lifted up unto Thee, we may fo pass through the uncertainties of things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal. And to all those, who may be ordained to fuffer for thy fake, impart, O merciful Lord, fuch plentiful fuccours of thy Holy Spirit; pour into their fouls such contempt of Pain and Death; kindle in their hearts such Love of Thee, and Zeal for Thy Truth; filt them with fuch animating hope of Immortality, that, after the example of the bleffed Saints and Martyrs of the primitive Ages, they may so steadily confess thee before men, that, having glorified Thy Name by their sufferings upon Earth, they may obtain of Thee an everlasting Crown of Glory. And grant to us all fuch a denial of ungodliness and worldly affections, that we may be able to look forward with hope, to the confurnmation of all things, and to the glorious appearance of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; to whom with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A LMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name; we befeech Thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy Glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the Priest (or Bishop, if he be present) shall let them depart with this bleffing.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, &c.

Evening Prayer.

I Let him that ministereth read with a loud Voice these Sentences of Scripture; and after them the Exhortation, Dearly beloved Breth-ten, &c.

To the Lord our God, &c. (As in the Morning, page 1.)

The Hymn appointed to be used at Morning Prayer, instead of the Venite, &c. shall here also be used before the proper Psalms.

¶ Proper Pfalms, LXXXVI. and CXXX.

& First Leffon, Jonah III.

My Sout doth magnify the Lord, &c. St. Luke I. 46,

Second Leffon, St. James IV. to Ver. 11.

God be merciful unto us, &c. Pfalm LXVII.

I Then the Creed, &c., to the End of the Lord's Prayer.

Priest. O Lord, thew thy Mercy, Erc. (As in the Morning, p. 2.)

This Collect to be used instead of the First Collect for Evening Prayer. O Lord God of our Salvation, &c. (As in the Morning, p. 3.)

I The Second Collect at Evening Prayer.

O God, from whom all holy Defires, &c. (See B. of C. Prayer.)

The Third Collect, for Aid against all Perils.

Lighten our Darkness, we beseech Thee, &c. (See B. of C. Prayer.)

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Turn Thou us, O good Lord, &c (As in the Morning, p. 4)
O Lord, our Heavenly Father, &c. (As in the Morning, p. 4.)

Read the usual Prayers, to the End of the Prayer In Time of War and Tumults; and then the following.

We humbly beseech Thee, &c. (As in the Morning, p. 5.1

Read to the End of the General Thankfgiving; then let the following Prayers be used.

A Prayer for our Enemies, and for Support under Perfecution.

Almighty God, who halt disposed, &c. (As in the Morning, p. 7.)

Almighty God, who hast given us Grace, Go.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

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